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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Ser. No.: 09/975,113	Filed: October 11, 2001	Examiner: Tuan A. Vu
Art Unit: 2124	Title: <b>HARDWARE DESIGN PROTOCOL AND SYSTEM</b>	

To the Commissioner for Patents:

Transmitted herewith is an *Amendment* in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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TOTAL =						\$0.00

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☐ Applicants request any extensions of time that may be necessary and authorize the required fees be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.  
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Respectfully submitted,

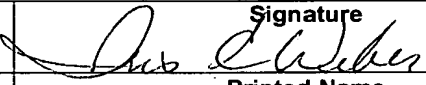
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AND SYSTEM**  
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**AMENDMENT A**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 13, 2004, on the above-referenced patent application, Applicant(s) respectfully request reconsideration of the application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.